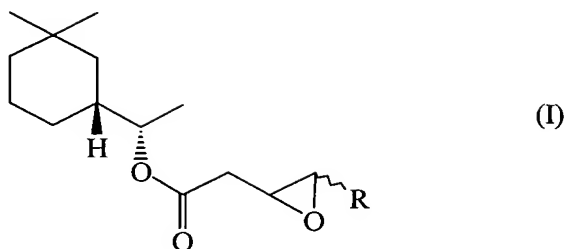


THE CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 5 1. A compound of formula



10 wherein R represents a linear, branched or cyclic C₁₋₃ hydrocarbon group, and the wavy line indicates that the substituents on the epoxide moiety may have a cis or trans configuration.

2. A compound according to claim 1, wherein R is an ethyl group.

- 15 3. As a compound according to claim 2, (1S,1'R)-1-(3',3'-dimethyl-1'-cyclohexyl)ethyl trans-3,4-epoxyhexanoate or (1S,1'R)-1-(3',3'-dimethyl-1'-cyclohexyl)ethyl cis-3,4-epoxyhexanoate.

4. A perfuming composition comprising:

20 at least one compound of formula (I) as defined in claim 1; and
at least one ingredient selected from the group consisting of a perfumery carrier and a perfumery base.

5. A perfuming composition according to claim 4, further comprising with at least one
25 perfumery adjuvant.

6. A perfumed article comprising, as perfuming ingredient, at least one compound of formula (I), as defined in claim 1.

7. A perfumed article comprising, as perfuming ingredient, a perfuming composition as defined in claim 4.

5 8. A perfumed article according to claim 7, in the form of a solid or liquid detergent, a fabric softener, a perfume, a cologne or after-shave lotion, a perfumed soap, a shower or bath salt, mousse, oil or gel, a hygiene product or hair care product, a shampoo, a body-care product, a deodorant or antiperspirant, an air freshener, a cosmetic preparation, a fabric refresher, an ironing water, papers, wipes or bleaches.

10 9. A method to confer, enhance, improve or modify the odor properties of a perfuming composition or of a perfumed article, which method comprise adding to the composition or article an effective amount of at least one compound of formula (I), as defined in claim 1. perfuming composition as defined in claim 4.

15 10. A method to confer, enhance, improve or modify the odor properties of a perfuming composition or of a perfumed article, which method comprise adding to the composition or article an effective amount of a perfuming composition as defined in claim 4.

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